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Dear Sir,

**Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2021/546**

We refer to your e-mail of 29/01/2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 29/01/2021 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to:

a) Meeting records (emails, minutes, reports, briefing papers, drafts, memos...) involving officials and/or people representing the interests of:

- European agri-cooperatives (COGECA)
- Coordinadora de Organizaciones de Agricultores y Ganaderos - Iniciativa Rural (COAG)
- Cooperativas Agro-alimentarias de España
- Asociación Nacional de Productores de Ganado Porcino (ANPROGAPOR)
- Organización Interprofesional Agroalimentaria del Porcino de Capa Blanca (INTERPORC)

b) Correspondence within your personnel and/or the European institutions concerning the organizations above-mentioned.

We have identified 22 documents falling within the scope of your request. You will find enclosed a list of the documents identified, as well as copies of the aforementioned 22 documents.

### **Documents numbers: 1-6 and 12-22**

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Secretariat-General  
Unit C.1. 'Transparency, Document Management and Access to Documents'  
BERL 7/076  
B-1049 Brussels, or by email to: [sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu](mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu)

**Documents numbers: 1-12**

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Yours faithfully,

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Head of Unit

Enclosure: List of identified documents and 22 documents